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TITLE OF INVENTION: CARRIER HOLDING MICRO-SUBSTANCES, SYSTEM SUSPENDING SUCH CARRIERS APPARATUS FOR MANIPULATING SUCH CARRIERS AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING POSITIONS OF SUCH CARRIERS

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